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## The Story of a Little Piece of Chalk.

A little piece of chalk tells an interesting history. To the unassisted eye it looks simply like a very loose and open kind of stone, but if it is ground down so thin that one can see through it—until it is thin enough to be examined with a magnifying glass—it will be found to be made up of very minute granules embedded in which are innumerable bodies, some smaller and some larger, but on a rough average not more than a hundredth of an inch diameter, having well defined shape and structure. A cubic inch of some specimens of chalk may contain hundreds of thousands of these bodies. Each of the rounded bodies is made up of a number of chambers, communicating freely with one another. These oddly shaped bodies are of various forms, but one of the commonest is something like a badly grown raspberry being formed of a number of nearly globular chambers of different sizes congregated together. They are the calcareous shells of Foraminifera.

The beds of the oceans are covered to a great extent with mud embedded in which are millions upon millions of skeletons of Foraminifera—animals of the simplest imaginable description. A foraminifer is, in fact, a mere particle of living jelly, without defined parts of any kind—without mouth, nerves, muscles, or distinct organs, and manifesting its vitality to ordinary observation only thrusting out and retracting from all parts of its surface long filaments which serve for arms and legs. Yet this creature is capable of feeding, growing and multiplying; of separating the small proportion of carbonate of lime which is dissolved in sea water; and of building up that substance into a skeleton or shell for itself, according to a pattern which even the skilled artisan of the present day would find difficult to imitate.

Some of the Foraminifera are known to exist only in the greatest depths; others that float on the surface shower the bottom with their minute shells as death comes. Most of the Foraminifera of the present day are microscopic, but in a few species the shells attain a diameter of an inch or more.

In the study of geology the Foraminifera are of great interest, as they are found in all the formations from the oldest to the newest, and in many places they make up the chief part of great rock masses. Examples may be cited in the Chalk Cliffs of England, the nummulitic limestones of Egypt and the Silurian beds of Russia.

The United States Geological Survey has recently published, as Bulletin 513, a report on Pliocene and Pleistocene Foraminifera from southern California, by Rufus Mather Baggs, jr. One of the most significant facts revealed by the study of these fossils is that the deposits are not of tropical or warm-temperate origin but are made up of types common in the north Atlantic Ocean today; some of the species correspond to forms that inhabit both the south Atlantic and south Pacific. The report, which is technical in character, may be had free on application to the Director of the United States Geological Survey at Washington, D. C.

N. A. Drescher made a business trip to Illinois the first of the week.

## Editors Are Saying

## Didn't Do a Thing to Him.

Taft stood Pat, but Pat didn't do a thing to him, did he?—Boonville Advertiser.

## The Gored Old Party.

In view of what the Bull Moose did to it, G. O. P. now signifies the Gored Old Party.—Kansas City Star.

## No More Kansas Governors of Mo.

Four years of Hadleyism was enough for Missouri. No more jayhawker governors for this state.—Howell County Gazette.

## The Absynian Treatment.

Jack Johnson regrets to report that the judge who has charge of his case is Kenesaw Mountain Landis.—Kansas City Times.

## Those Talking Seven Little Governors.

Anyhow, those seven little governors are keeping their fool mouths shut.—Boonville Advertiser.

## Did Not Expect Vacuum Cleaner.

Said a Joplin woman: "I rather expected Wilson would sweep the country, but I didn't think he would use a vacuum cleaner."—Joplin Globe.

## Didn't Even Give a Parade.

It may be true that a circus always takes a lot of money out of town, but an editor down south replies that the Chicago mail order houses do not even give a parade.—Savannah Democrat.

## The Baron to Be Pitied.

One of the pitiable figures is Col. W. R. Nelson, chief push of the Kansas City Star and Times. He was a valiant Teddy booster with both of his papers, and every state into which they go seems to have gone for Wilson—Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas and Nebraska. The colonel got off on the wrong foot with both feet.—Plattsburg Leader.

the Republican party is not dead. Possibly not. But Governor Hadley, who has done such heroic service in its destruction during the past six months, will have four long years to kill it in.—Henry County Democrat.

## The Little Perkins Cheerless Prospect.

George Perkins gave his money and support to Roosevelt because he was thinking of the future welfare of his children. Are we excusable for weeping over the thought of the cheerless prospect results present for the Perkins children?—St. Louis Times.

## Will Puncture it Full of Holes.

With a Democratic president backed by a Democratic house and senate the high protective tariff enacted by the Republicans will be punctured full of holes. The Democrats will reduce the tariff on the necessities of life and probably raise it on the luxuries.—Howell County Gazette.

## What Did Teddy Say?

When the returns were all in Col. Roosevelt doubtless repeated that famous inquiry: "What's the matter with Kansas?"—DeKalb County Democrat.

## Just Changed the Color.

Shady Bend, the Kansas town that grew into public notice through the tarring and feathering of a young woman school teacher by over-zealous moralists, has a rival in Norwalk, O., they used red paint.—Kansas City Star.

## Done His Full Killing Share.

Governor Hadley protests that Chicago, Ill. Price 60 cents.

## No Wonder it Went That Way.

No wonder Pennsylvania went for Roosevelt. An Allentown man claims to have encountered a frog so big that it jumped against his chest and knocked him down, and another man declares that when he went to shoot the frog it jumped clear over his head and got away.—St. Louis Republic.

## Wail of the Pessimist.

Already you hear the dismal wail of the pessimist who sees nothing but hard times in Wilson's election to the presidency. The pessimist is generally a fellow who never adds one cent to the productive capacity of the country. He of all others should be glad to see a fall in the abnormally high price of living because he has to buy everything he eats and wears and has nothing to sell. But seriously, why should Mr. Wilson want low prices on commodities? He wants to see prosperous times as well as other people and will do all in his power to have them. But no president ever lived who could keep away panics when our capitalists willed that they should come. President Grant could not avoid a panic. Neither Hayes. Neither could Cleveland. Neither could Roosevelt. Harrison had one on hand in 1892, but after he was defeated he turned his panic over to Cleveland and made him the scape-goat. It was under Republican laws and policies that we acquired hundreds of millionaires, thirty of whom are powerful enough to bring on a panic inside of a week. If they will it they can bring on a panic under Mr. Wilson. They did under Roosevelt and only spared Taft because they could more easily handle him. We believe there are Republicans so narrow and biased that they would now hail a panic with joyous shouts. That is not good citizenship. It is anarchy in disguise. The pessimist helps to make hard times.—Worth County Times.

## Woodmen Election.

Monroe City Camp No. 2236 M. W. A. will elect officers for the ensuing year at its regular meeting to be held Friday evening, December 13. Every member is urged to be present. Illinois courts have said that the rates must remain as at present.

## A. Grimm, Clerk.

An exchange calls attention to the fact that the suffix "son" has played an important part in the presidency of the United States. There have been Presidents Jefferson, Madison, Jackson, Harrison, (twice), and Johnson, and now there is a President-elect Wilson. There was a vice president Johnson (Richard M.) under Van Buren and a vice president Johnson (Andrew) under Lincoln. The latter succeeded to the presidency and is counted above. Then there was vice president Henry Wilson, the "Natick shoemaker," under Grant, and vice president Adlai Stevenson under Cleveland.—The Quincy Whig.

Davenport & Mahan make Farm Loans on best terms tf.

Hats off to the rural Democratic newspapers of Missouri and then of the United States. They hewed to the line and none faltered in duty though big money could have been got by turning traitor. The country newspaper is the salt of the earth.—Columbia Statesman.

Rev. G. A. Lehnhoff took hold of the work at Plattsburg during Bro. F. A. Henry's sickness with typhoid immediately after conference and continued his very successful year. He succeeded in wiping out \$500 worth of old debts.—Advocate.

## Notice to Hunters and Trespassers

Quail are scarce this year and in order to protect we will not hunt them this season and we hereby give notice that we will not allow any hunting, trapping or trespassing by man or dog on our premises, or shooting on or across the public highway:

D. K. Yowell, Samuel Wilson, C. L. Elzea, George Hanson, Thomas Wilson, Richard Redman, Nudé Finch, J. I. Thomas, H. C. Underhill, Irvin Underhill, L. O. Wilson, Jackson W. Rouse, P. N. Jones, George L. Hampton, Ada Turnbull A. Lee Ely, William Mounce, Samantha Orr, W. H. Berry, H. L. Jarman, Dr. L. T. Bell, Jas. F. Brydon, John C. Hardy, Frank Gentry, Dr. J. H. Bell, Dave Gosney, Ford & Elzea, Ezra S. Hampton, Robt. Meriwether, Attorney 12-5.

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